

Leading the Air National Guard Flightline



Former N.H. Governor Craig Benson re-presents the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) Distinguished Flying Plaque to Col. Richard Martell at the October Governor and Council meeting in Concord.

This plaque is only presented to the top five flying wings in the Air National Guard and was awarded to the 157th Air Refueling Wing in September at the NGAUS Conference in Las Vegas.



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Commander's Column



By Col. Richard Martell

This is a great time for me to share with you my thoughts on a subject that has been bothering me for the last 3 ½ years. First of all allow me to “educate” all of you on our retirement/ non ETS resignation process.

For each member who leaves the 157 Air Refueling Wing there is an exit survey provided. It's an opportunity for the exiting member to share their candid thoughts about their time spent with the Wing. About half of you take advantage of this opportunity to provide feedback (each and every one is read by senior leadership) and that input allows us to make changes within the Wing.

Unfortunately, the other half of our exiting members do not take advantage of this opportunity. They just “go through the motions” when filling the survey out – doing none of us any good. So my first plea is that when your time comes, please take the time to honestly share your thoughts with us. We will all be better for it.

The main critiques I do see consistently over time are in the following two areas: (1) awards and recognition and (2) doing meaningful work and training during the UTA. Here are my thoughts on these two areas: In the area of awards and recognition – this has been a point of emphasis to Commanders, Chiefs

and First Sergeants for quite some time. It has been a training item on Commanders training day on several occasions and yet I still receive the feedback that folks are not be recognized.

My second plea is this: if you feel that you are deserving of recognition and have yet to receive it – ask your supervisor “why?” It is far too late to address this during the exit survey process - let's make the change now! There is nothing magical about writing award submissions (and we have several folks willing to help) and sometimes it doesn't need to be a formal award. Some of our folks have been looking for a simple “thank you” or “you did that job well”. This critique has been consistently expressed in the bulk of exit surveys and was also identified in our Air Force Climate survey results. We must do better in this area.

Lastly, dealing with the comments about “meaningful work during the UTA period” - there should be no excuses here. If you are feeling this way, engage your supervisors NOW! In this day and age it is imperative for us to provide good, extensive training to any Guard member who is willing to take time from family and their primary occupations to serve with us. If your supervisor does not respond – take it to the next level. It is the primary role of the full time force to provide training to the over 60% of the Wing that has chosen to serve their country as a citizen soldier.

I do believe that we have a good unit, but by attending to these 3 things – honest feedback upon separation; awards and recognition; and providing consistent meaningful training, we can become even better. Let's start now, to turn this around this year.

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First Quarter Traditional Guardsman awarded



(NHANG Photo by Senior Airman Curt Lenz)

Maj. Todd Swass presents Senior Airman Ham with his award.

Please congratulate Senior Airman Matthew Ham of the 157th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron for the 1st Quarter Award Winner of the NHANG Traditional Guard Person of the Quarter. Honorable Mention goes to: Master Sgt. Bruce Larrabee (CES), Master Sgt. Rodney Venable (CES), Staff Sgt. Dave Pinard (260th ATC), Staff Sgt. Daryl McPhee (133ARS), Tech. Sgt. John Washington (OG), Tech. Sgt. Penny Johnson (MXS), Senior Airman Crystal Lawes (AMXS), Senior Airman Nate Bragdon (MXS), Tech. Sgt. Jeff Vermette (ARW). Thank you to the individuals who took the time to submit the above individuals. Senior Airman Ham has his own special parking spot and receives \$50.00 from the Minuteman Fund. Next nominations will be in March!!!

Recruiter Rap

Recruiting Quote of the Day

"Nurture your minds with great thoughts. To believe in the heroic makes heroes." Benjamin Disraeli

Recruiting's Public Service

Quick Tip: A smile goes a long way.

Please Welcome the Newest Members of our great Organization!

It's a New Year, and we have a great group of new members to welcome along with the New Year. Thanks to the hardworking members here at Pease, the never tiring recruiting office and the teamwork from retention.

SMF

Senior Airman Shilo Watters

MXS

Airman 1st Class Matthew Tricomi
Staff Sgt. Jeremy Delong
Airman 1st Class Andrew Ordor

CES

Senior Airman Derek Cote
Staff Sgt. Arnold Norman

ATC

Staff Sgt. Paul Talley

MOF

Master Sgt. William Wiechert
Airman 1st Class Samuel Duval

AMXS

Airman 1st Class Jason Inglis

MDG

Senior Airman Allan Ilunga

A Special thanks goes out to Staff Sgt. Kevin Hues and Chief Master Sgt. John Menton! They were the **Honorary Recruiters** for December.

Wow, the group of people here at Pease keeps growing. With growth, comes opportunity. Here at Pease, we have a lot of great programs.

GI Bill, Student Loan Repayment (\$20,000), Tuition Reimbursement, Officer Commissioning, Space Available Flights, and Bonuses for critical career fields. With all the benefits offered here, why would you go anywhere else.



Did you know?

BY Tech. Sgt. James J. Wallace

The Air Force didn't adopt its "Shade 84" blue uniform until January 1949.

On April 8, 1949, Air Force Letter 35-46 stated that the new Air Force blue winter uniform (shade #84) for men were available for purchase and immediate use.

However, most airmen didn't have a set of "blues" until late 1950. In the interim, officers wore the Army's "pinks and greens" and airmen wore OD's (olive drab).

New Dental Requirements

By (Dr.) Maj. Patrick J. Racz, NHANG, DC
157TH Base Dental Surgeon

Research has shown that the majority of preventable sick calls in theater are from dental problems, so the Department of Defense (DOD) wants all of us to get an annual dental exam (it was previously done once every 5 years for non-flyers). The way this is going to work is you will come over to the clinic for your annual Reserve Component Periodic Health Assessment (RCPHA) as normally scheduled during your birth month this year.

While here, you will need to sign an Annual Dental Screening Examination Form (located at the podium in the waiting room), which will offer four options on how to get your exam done. Flyers will still need to see a military dentist but everyone else will get their exam at a civilian office.

If you do not have dental insurance, you may want to check out the Tricare Dental Plan run by United Concordia, which only costs \$9.32/month—taken right out of base pay. We have information and enrollment forms at the dental clinic or you can contact United Concordia at www.ucci.com or 1-800-866-8499. There is also a grant program available called FEDS-HEAL, which will pay for an



exam only— (no treatment is covered if any dental problems are found so keep that in mind before choosing this). After deciding on which option works best for you, you'll have 3 months to complete the exam. Failure to complete this medical requirement after 90 days will place you on P4T profile and you will not be permitted to perform IDT for pay or points— (IAW AFI 48-123 paragraph 14.17.).

The DOD is very serious about preventing dental emergencies so be sure not to procrastinate on this one! If you are deploying, your exam must be current (less than 12 months old). If you will be in theater during your 12-month dental due date, then get the exam done prior to your deployment/TDY. Please call the dental clinic if you have any questions or need help with this (DSN #852-2719).

Hello and Happy Holidays from "The Deid"

By Senior Airman Lyndsey Hooper

With a 120 day deployment under our belt, Maj. Riley and I are finally home. It has been a great experience as medics having the opportunity to be part of the 379 Expeditionary Medical Group at Al Udeid Air Base. We have learned many new skills in relation to our assigned jobs and along the way made many new friends. On Jan. 4 we returned to New Hampshire and look forward to attending future drills and getting caught up with all we have missed. Thank you everyone at the 157th Air Refueling Wing for your support during our absence.



Services February's UTA Weekend Menu

Saturday

NE Clam Chowder
Pork Schnitzel Cutlet
Onion-Lemon Baked Fish
Monte Cristo Sandwich
Mashed Potatoes
Baked Potatoes
Mushroom Gravy
Stewed Tomatoes
Steamed Spinach
Waldorf Salad



Sunday

Tomato Rice Soup
Chicken Fajitas
Yakisoba Beef & Spaghetti
Steamed White Rice
O'Brien Potatoes
Steamed Cauliflower
Succotash
Fresh Spinach Salad

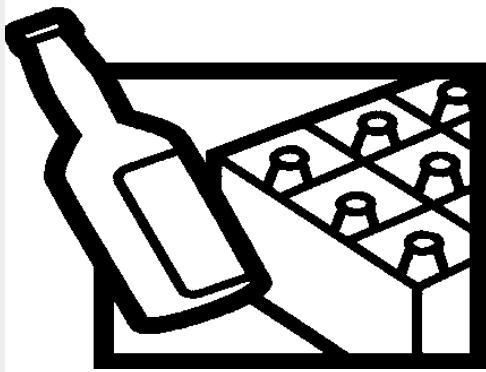


Asst Breads & Rolls

Asst Hot & Cold Beverages

Menu is subject to change without notice.

**You may also call 603-430-3291 x 6 for
the phone menu updates.**



Commissary Case Lot Sale

WHEN: Feb. 5, 2005 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Bldg 149

WHAT: This is a one day sale being put on by the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Commissary. Great savings with new items being offered.

Extra, Extra... Red Sox Win Again!



(NHANG Photo by Senior Master Sgt. George Little)

"KP (Meaghan Callaghan) loses gentleman's wager with wing commander and graciously wears Red Sox hat for a day"

People Poll: Now that you have had the flu shot? Did you have any concerns



Senior Airman Darsy Cote
(Recruiting)

I prefer the shot versus the mist. It was awkward having mist injected in the nasal passage versus a quick shot. I have no concerns with the fact that the mist contains live culture.



Senior Airman Jeff Hill (AMXS)

I don't like shots but I would take the shot over the mist. I had a lot of concerns. I haven't been sick in a long time and now after I had the shot I am sick.



Senior Airman Kevin Weller
(Clinic)

I didn't favor the mist over the shot. Both are unpleasant. If they prevent me from getting sick it doesn't matter. I had no concerns it's a small strain of virus used to strengthen the immune system.

flu mist, would you prefer it in place of shots with the mist containing “live” virus?



Tech Sgt. Jeff Vermette (Paralegal)

I prefer the mist because it's painless. I had no concerns with the mist being a live virus.



Senior Airman Maria Kennedy (Logistics)

I didn't have a problem. I would rather the mist than the shot. I have no problem with the mist containing live virus.



Senior Airman Jeremy Hutchinson (Clinic)

I prefer the mist over the shot. With it being a live virus you have the potential for having more side effects



Capt. Jed French (JAG)

No preference. Vaccinations are always administered in a professional manner. I have no concerns with the mist having live virus.

Family Program Updates

By Bonnie Rice, Family Program Coordinator

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Program Coordinator
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bonnielee.rice@nhpeas.ang.af.mil
Emergency 24-hour hotline: 1-
800-472-0328



YOUTH INFO: Our recent Children's Holiday Party hosted by the VFW Post 168 Ladies Auxiliary in Portsmouth on Dec. 18, 2004 was a huge success! More than 100 family members attended the party from all branches of the service. Santa presented gifts to more than 70 children. Former Governor Benson made a visit to the party as well to thank our military families for supporting their military member. Many people, businesses, and organizations need to be thanked for their support: Members of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 168 in Portsmouth for the wonderful job that they did of hosting the days activities as well as the VFW for cooking and serving lunch and also for allowing us to use their facility. We would also like to thank Robin Labrie and Newington Wal-Mart, The Greenland Women's Club, the Lee VFW, Lt. Col. & Mrs. James Walters, the Hersoms, the Froelichs, Sen. John E. Sununu, Congressman Jeb Bradley, Brandie Rice, Jay Rice, April Rice, Kim McBride (319TH AFRS), and of course St. Nick's helpers - the Richard Johnson

family of Kingston for all of their contributions. I would like to also thank our magicians David "Topper" Anderson and "Oliver Twist" McMahon as well as the face-painter and clown Mary "Delight" Sheenan, these three have donated their "clowning" services for numerous events for our military children.

MILITARY FAMILY FUN DAY:

Pats Peak Ski Area, Henniker NH Sunday, Feb. 27, 2005, Valley Lodge. Ski or ride all day 8:30 a.m. to 4:00pm, Or Half day 1:00 p.m. to 4:00pm. Snowtubing 9:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. –5:00 p.m. or 2 hours sessions available. Registrations need to be made no later than Feb. 17, 2005 to Bonnie Rice at 430-3545. For directions and more information on Pats Peak go to www.patspeak.com or Call 1-888-728-7732 ext. 106.



DISCOUNT SKI TICKETS

The Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has the following discounted ski tickets available to our military family. Attitash, Black Mountain, Bretton Woods, Cranmore, Gunstock, Loon Mountain, Waterville Valley, and Wildcat. Call the shipyard for prices and details at 207-438-1514 or 2713.

DISCOUNTS AND BENEFITS: TAX INFORMATION

The New Hampshire Society of Certified Public Accountants



(NHSCPA) has asked that we pass on to you their sincere gratitude and appreciation for the dedicated service of the members of the United States military to our country, as well as the sacrifice your family is making as a result of the current mobilizations. In demonstration of that gratitude, for the second year, the NHSCPA is again working with the NH National Guard State Family Program, to provide a statewide free tax preparation service called the NHSCPA/NH Military Tax Assistance Program. To help service members and their families, the NHSCPA will provide CPA volunteers for one-on-one assistance during the 2004 filing year at no cost to the service member and/or family. This free benefit is extended to members and families of any service member in New Hampshire who meet the following criteria:

1. The service member is currently or was mobilized in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and/or Operation Iraqi Freedom during the 2004 tax year; and
2. Those filing are currently legal residents of the state of New Hampshire. If the service member is a resident of another New England state please contact the NHSCPA as they may have contacts in your state that could assist you.

To sign up or for additional information about the NHSCPA/NH Military Tax Assistance Program, please contact the NH Society of

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CPAs at (603) 622-1999 or e-mail Lisa Bloom at bloom@nhscpa.org. Please state "Military Tax Assistance Program" in the subject line of your e-mail.



YOUR GUARDIANS OF FREEDOM AND THE AIR FORCE PARENT/"SPOUSE" PIN PROGRAM:

Just a reminder, there is now a pin that you can order and have sent directly to your spouse to recognize his/her support or your military career! To request your spouse pin go to [HTTP://WWW.YOURGUARDIAN-](http://WWW.YOURGUARDIAN-)

SOFFREEDOM.COM and follow the directions beginning with "Click here to register - a password and username will be returned to you directly via email for you to use when placing the order and then you order the pin and it is shipped to your spouse/parent - please note that the website for this has been under construction, they may ask you to check back later to submit your request, but it is a great opportunity to show your appreciation to your spouse or parent.

AIR FORCE ONE SOURCE

INFO.: In addition to the assistance you can get from our Family Readiness Program and other base agencies, another resource for information is Air Force One Source. Air National Guard, Air Force Reserve, and Active Duty Air Force and their families are welcome to call Air Force One Source. No matter what issues you're dealing with,

Air Force One Source is designated to help you find the support, advice, and resources you need. The Department of the Defense is funding this service. There is no charge to our members that use the service. This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The program can give you information, advice, and support on a wide range of everyday issues.

Air Force One Source—any time of day, wherever you are. So get in touch with us today. We have consultants who speak Spanish and offer simultaneous translation into more than 140 other languages. TTY/TDD and accessibility Web site also available. www.airforceonesource.com
 UserID: airforce/Password: ready
 From the U.S.: - 800-707-5784
 International: - 800-707-57844
 OCONUS collect: 484-530-5913
 En español, 1-800-375-5971
 TTD: 1-800-346-9188

Kick the habit in the new year! Breaking ground for new Firestation...

By Staff Sgt. Angela Skinner



If you have finally made the decision to quit smoking, you can have some powerful help available to you for the asking.

The ANG Chaplain, Col. Duane Kellogg is offering all Air and Army Guard personnel and their families smoking cessation clinics to be held at building 16 here at Pease. Col. Kellogg has helped a number of people with this problem through the use of clinical hypnosis, so if your ready to stop smoking, contact him via phone at 603-430-3456 or email at Duane.Kellogg@nhpeas.ang.af.mil. He is in the office most Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. to schedule your appointment.



NHANG Photo by Staff Sgt. Dawn Finniss)

Snow Phone Info

The Pease ANG Snow phone number is 603-430-2556 and is used to report delays or closures to Pease ANGB. If there is no current message on the line, then you may assume that it is a normal workday at Pease.





Classification & Staffing



ARMY/AIR AGR CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM VACANCIES

The NH National Guard has the following vacancies.

Announcement Number::

NH05-501 (AR):
Senior Operations NCO

Maximum Rank for this position is MSG/SMsgt/E8.

Announcement Number::

NH05-502 (AR):
Operations NCO - Modeling

Maximum Rank for this position is SFC/MSGT E7.

Announcement Number::

NH05-504 (AR):
Supply/Transportation NCO.

Maximum Rank for this position is SFC/MSGT E7.

All positions are open to all current NHARNG & NHANG AGR

soldiers in the proper ranks and those eligible to become a NHNG member.

Duty Location:

Civil Support Team, State Military Reservation
Concord, NH 03301- 5652

All CST Team members must reside within a one-hour commute of the State Military Reservation, Concord, NH

Type of Appointment/Length of Tour; Initial tour will be for a period of 3 years.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact MSgt Delores Lamson, at DSN: 684-9331, commercial (603) 225-1331, e-mail delores.lamson@nh.ngb.army.mil, DSN 684-9327
Commercial (603) 225-1327.

Recent Promotions

Senior Airman

Eric L. Krans
Andrew Freisinger
Justin R. Meunier
Jason A. Noll

Staff Sergeant

Emily F. Cole
Chung I. Chiu
John M. Correia

Technical Sergeant

Merrill H. I. Boston
Keith R. Stetson
Gregory E. Derosa
Joseph L. Silvia

Senior Master Sergeant

Anthony J. Casella

Captain

William B. Borrowman
Alyn L. Theriault



(NHANG Photo by Senior Airman Curt Lenz)

Chief Master Sgt. David Eaton presents Chief Master Sgt. Michael Bascom with a certificate during his promotion ceremony.

Chief Master Sgt. Michael Bascom

Chief Master Sgt. Michael Bascom's promotion ceremony was well attended, despite the snowstorm and early release. Close friends and other chiefs spoke highly of the newly promoted Chief Master Sgt. Bascom.

"You join a very select group of people, particularly in this building," said Lt. Col. Steven Grecco.

His wife, Theresa and his good friend, Senior Master Sgt. Anthony Reagan, pinned on Chief Master Sgt. Bascom's new rank.

Chief Master Sgt. Bascom had personalized chiefs coins made up, which he handed out to family, friends and co-workers who attended the ceremony.

Air Force charity ball set for March 12

by Tech. Sgt. David A. Jablonski
Air Force Print News

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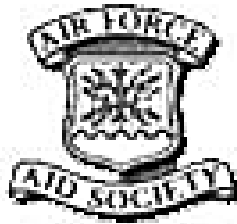
The Air Force's official charity ball returns in 2005 after the 2004 event raised more than \$240,000 for the Air Force Aid Society.

The ball is set for March 12 at Bolling Air Force Base, D.C. The committee stops taking reservations Feb. 4.

"We're well on our way to doing even better than last year," said the ball's publicist, Catherine Chilton.

"There are no set fundraising goals, but so far (more than) a third of the tickets are sold. We sold out last year, and we'll do it again this year," she said.

This year's proceeds again



will go to the AFAS — the only official charity specifically dedicated to helping Airmen.

The AFAS promotes the Air Force mission by providing worldwide emergency assistance to Airmen and their families, sponsoring educational assistance programs, and offering a variety of base-enhancement programs.

In 2002, total direct assistance to Airmen and families totaled \$24.1 million.

AFAS has been receiving record-breaking numbers of requests for aid since Sept. 11, 2001, and demand has not

tapered, Ms. Chilton said.

The charity ball raises the second highest single amount of money for AFAS. However, not all of that comes from ticket sales.

"Last year many overseas Airmen sent donations to support the charity event even though they couldn't attend the ball," Ms. Chilton said. Some organizations paid for tickets for the 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year or simply donated straight to AFAS as a result of the ball's publicity on Air Force Link.

For those close enough to attend, tickets range from \$50 to \$75 per person. Contact Linda Bolton at (703) 968-9061 or e-mail clbolton@juno.com, to buy tickets.

To learn more about AFAS, visit www.afas.org/.

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right??) It's very competitive with prizes being awarded at the end of the tournament the first week in April. According to Shannan, "Cribbage may be an old game but lots of people play – It's a classic. Take the time to find someone to teach you the game and look around for tournaments to participate in. You'd be surprised how many there are." Cribbage anyone?? Call Shannan at x3502 for more details.

• Congratulations to **Donna Brissett**, daughter of **Laurette** and **Barron Brissett (LRS)** who received her Master's Degree on Dec. 10 at North Carolina Central University in Durham, N.C. Donna previously earned her B.A. in medical technology in 1993 from the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. She is currently employed at Duke Medical Center at Duke University in Raleigh Durham. Her hobbies include Tai Quando, Yoga, Pilates, reading and cooking. Her Dad, Barron, is a full-time technician computer operations assistant and document control POC in the systems operation section of Supply – part of the Policy

and Procedures Branch of the Logistics Readiness Squadron.

• On a sad note, we recently received word that **Gerard "Gerry" Julien**, a former member of the NHANG, passed away on Dec. 11 at his home in La Mirada, Calif. after a long battle with cancer. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1943 during WW II and was awarded the Purple Heart Medal for combat action. He enlisted with the NHANG in 1948 at Grenier Field and was assigned to Operations and employed as an Air Technician. His later assignments included serving 10 years as Superintendent of the U.S.A.F. NCO Academy at Kirtland A.F.B. and a tour in Saudi Arabia. He retired after serving 25 years of distinctive service in the military. At the time of his retirement, he was assigned to Los Angeles A.F.B., Calif. Our condolences are extended to his family.

**THAT'S ALL FOR THIS TIME, FOLKS!
SEE YOU IN MARCH.**



Guard Talk

by Senior Master Sgt. Valerie Morgan
Wing Human Resources Advisor

Guard Talk welcomes your submissions. If you have something interesting or a special event that you'd like to share, please give me a call at tel: (603) 430-3151, fax: 430-2456 or drop a line to 157 ARW/HRA,

302 Newmarket Street, Pease ANGB, NH 03803-0157E-mail address: valerie.morgan@NHPEAS.ANG.AF.MIL

• Congratulations to **Jennifer and Michael Munt (CES)** on the birth of their son, **Anthony Nicholas**, who arrived on Oct. 5 at 1:30 a.m. Baby Anthony weighed in at 8 lbs 4 oz and measured 20 ¼ inches long. He has two older brothers, **Gabriel**, 5, and **Christopher**, 1 ½, who are sure to be very protective of their new baby brother. Michael is a route merchandiser for Sugarloaf of New England. He is a heating & plumbing specialist with the Civil Engineer Squadron. Jennifer is a part-time licensed nurses aide for Epsom Manor. She tells us that baby Anthony was the smallest of the three boys – the other two weighed over 9 lbs! This Guard Family lives in Center Barnstead.

• Please welcome **Lucy Rose**, baby daughter of **Natalie and Michael Girouard (OPS)** who was born on Nov. 25. Baby Natalie weighed in at 8 lbs 12 oz and measured 19 ½ inches long. Mike is a graduate student at Plymouth State College working

on his MBA. Militarily, he is serving on an active duty tour as a boom operator in the 133 Air Refueling Squadron. Natalie is a part-time manicurist with the Cutting Room in Newburyport, Mass. Proud Dad, Mike, tells us that his firstborn child is beautiful! The family lives in Rochester.

• Congratulations to **Joelle and George McIntyre (MXS)** on the birth of their second child, a daughter, **Faith Anne**, who arrived on Dec. 7 at 8:01 a.m. Baby Faith weighed in at 8 lbs 10 oz and measured 21 ½ inches long. Joelle tells us that son **Thomas**, 7, is a “doting big brother and big helper in taking care of her. He loves to read to her every night.” George is an AGR in the Avionics section of Maintenance. Joelle, a former member of the Finance Section, is currently employed as the teacher's aide at the Odyssey House for the PACE Program in Rochester. They reside in Berwick, Maine.

• Warmest wishes are extended to **Jennifer and Michael Caracoglia (MSF)** on the adoption of their daughter, **Desirae Caroline**, on Dec. 21. Desirae is 20 months old and has two older brothers who love her very much. **James**, 11, is a sixth grade student at Marsh School in Methuen, Mass., while **Noah**, 8, is in 2nd grade at the same school. Mike is presently serving as a temporary technician in the Base Education and Training Section of the Mission Support Flight. Jennifer, a former High School English Teacher, is currently working for the IRS in Andover, Mass. They make their home in Methuen.

• What is there to do in the winter besides ski or ice skate? Well, just ask one of our recruiters, **Shannan Brown**, (DPR) and she'll tell you how she spends her free time in the winters – playing cribbage! Shannan's Dad taught her how to play when she was just a child. Now, she plays cribbage with friends and also participates in cribbage tournaments. Once a week, she joins 46 teams at Nippo Lake Country Club in Barrington for cribbage tournaments. Shannan tells us “it's a blast!” She plays different teams each week and gets to meet new people. (Good for recruiting,

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Drill Dates

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TO THE FAMILY OF: